

LYNCH LAW
IN DELAWARENegro Who Murdered
Helen Bishop

BURNED AT THE STAKE

Was Taken to the Scene of the Crime
and Confessed There That He
Assaulted the Girl.

Wilmington, Del., June 22.—A negro man, led by a Virginian, burned a negro at the stake tonight within a mile of Mason and Dixon's line. The victim was George White, a negro, just out of the workhouse, who was accused of having feloniously assaulted and stabbed to death Miss Helen S. Bishop, the 17-year-old daughter of the Rev. E. A. Bishop. The crime was committed last Monday afternoon and ever since then there has been mutterings of lynching the man. An effort was made last night to get White but it failed. Tonight, however, a mob that was estimated at four thousand men and boys gathered in the neighborhood of Price's Corner. The police and the constabulary tried to disperse the growing crowd, but without avail. The chief warden of the workhouse and his guards, who have been on constant duty since the negro was landed in the jail had been warned of the coming of the mob and prepared to defend the man at all costs.

With a battery of railroad ties the mob soon carried away the great outer door of the workhouse. The second, third and fourth doors were quickly battered down. Then the would-be lynchers were momentarily halted by a hail of bullets from the inside. A great howl went up from the leaders but they were pressed forward by those in the rear. In the fusillade that followed four persons fell, all members of the mob. They were quickly carried to the rear.

The fire hose was then turned on the crowd. This also held the mob for a time but not long. A general rush was made, the guards were brushed aside and a man hunt of the jail was made for the negro.

His cell door was battered open and the cowering, accused man, begging for mercy was dragged from the cell and prison. Attempts were made to shoot White on the spot but the leaders of the crowd would have nothing but his life at the stake. Resistance on the part of the negro was useless, both hands were tied behind him, then the march to the place of execution was taken up.

The negro was led to almost the very spot where the assault took place. He was given a last chance to speak and he confessed to the murder of the girl. A stake had been arranged by an advance guard. White was quickly chained to the post and the dry underbrush soaked with oil was ignited. White, suffering intense agony, fainted and his body hung limp. Shots were fired into his body and the victim of the mob was soon dead.

Satisfied with his night's work the lynchers left the neighborhood many fearing arrest.

The failure of the county court to give White a speedy trial is in a great measure responsible for tonight's tragedy.

The citizens of Wilmington and those in the vicinity of the crime wanted immediate trial and Attorney-General H. H. Ward held the matter before the court on Thursday with that end in view. The court, however, did not consider haste as important and the trial was set for the September term of court. With this decision of the court the murmuring of mob violence became louder and the indignation of the people grew hourly.

The coroner's inquest was held today. The verdict of the jury was that Miss Bishop came to her death "from the effects of an assault committed upon her by one George White, a negro."

The crime for which White was lynched was one of the most revolting in the criminal annals of Delaware. The victim, Miss Helen S. Bishop, daughter of Rev. E. A. Bishop, was 17 years old, and was a student of the Wilmington high school. While on her way home from school last Monday afternoon she was attacked.

A farmer on his way home later saw a young woman crawling to hands and knees in the road. When the farmer reached the girl she was unconscious with three ugly gashes in her throat, her body was badly scratched and her clothing was torn in many places. In one hand she clutched a small pen knife. There was every evidence that Miss Bishop had made a desperate resistance in defense of her honor and her life. The wounded girl was taken home and died the next afternoon without regaining consciousness.

Suspicion was soon fastened on White who was just out of the workhouse. White was found in bed that same night and when taken into custody denied all knowledge of the crime. He was identified by several persons who said they saw him in the vicinity.

On Sunday evening Rev. R. A. Elwood preached a sensational sermon in the Olivet Presbyterian church of Wilmington, entitled "Should the Murderer of Miss Brooks be Lynched." His sermon so stirred the community as to cause Rev. E. A. Bishop, father of the murdered girl, to issue a letter last night, begging the people to permit the law to take its course and to do nothing rash.

The Rev. E. A. Bishop was formerly principal of the Montpelier Seminary and many people in this vicinity remember Miss Bishop as a bright child about eight years old when she left Montpelier, where she was born.

MACHEN IS INDICTED.

Grand Jury Charges Five Persons with Conspiracy.

Washington, June 22.—The grand jury, which has been investigating postal affairs, returned an indictment against August W. Machen, Diller B. Groff, Samuel A. Groff, George E. Lorenz and Martha J. Lorenz, the two latter being residents of Toledo, Ohio, on a specific charge to defraud the government. The revised statutes provided a penalty of \$10,000 or two years imprisonment or both, in the discretion of the court.

It was said by Assistant District Attorney Taggart today that the indictment was found against Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz by reason of the fact that the evidence adduced before the government showed them to be the go-betweens for the Groffs and Machen.

BITTEN AGAIN.

But They Will Buy of the Next Plausible Stranger.

Brattleboro, June 22.—Several of the townsmen are still awaiting the return to Brattleboro of two plausible-tongued foreigners who, a month or so ago, personally followed up cleverly worded announcements in which the recipients were told of remarkable offers of fine silks and lace rescued from a well known English ship, which, with most of its cargo, consigned to a New York firm, had gone to the bottom. The men exhibited handsome sample silk stockings and costly lace for orders at ridiculously low prices, and incidentally showed wicker dress patterns, which they sold for a good living profit, with the assurance that branch tailoring establishments were soon to be established in this and other cities by one of the leading English houses, and where the goods would be reasonably made up. The silk and lace bargains are dreams of the past, but many yards of wicker goods of the average quality await the arrival of English tailors.

LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Only National League Games Yesterday—Americans Drowned Out.

Yesterday's National League scores: At Philadelphia, Cincinnati 2, Philadelphia 1; Cincinnati 9, Philadelphia 0. (11 innings).

At New York, New York 3, Chicago 14; Chicago 10, New York 6.

At Brooklyn, Brooklyn 3, St. Louis 2; Brooklyn 8, St. Louis 7.

National League Standing.

Won. Lost. Pct. Won. Lost. Pct.

Pittsburgh 30 17 .636 Cincinnati 24 30 .440

New York 30 17 .636 Boston 20 32 .385

Chicago 26 20 .564 Philadelphia 15 35 .294

Brooklyn 27 25 .519 St. Louis 23 40 .375

THOUGHT IT A BOMB.

Montpelier Stirred on Finding a Bomb Battery.

Montpelier, June 22.—What appeared to be a dynamite bomb was found in the state house yard this morning, and the story soon spread that an effort had been made to blow up the state house. The rumor caused quite an excitement, but a close inspection of the bomb and a little work with a hammer proved that it was only the battery for a pocket electric lamp.

AUSTIN RIFLE COMPETITION.

Three Vermont Boys Win the Medals at Norwich University.

Northfield, June 22.—The Austin rifle competition at Norwich University was held this afternoon. The gold medal was won by H. J. Betterley of Bellows Falls, the silver medal by Ralph Gilman of Chelsea, the bronze medal by Guy Russell of Hartford, all Vermonters. There was a strong wind. The highest score was 78.

Mr. Rizzi Explains.

To the Editor of the Barre Daily Times, Dear Sir: Will you allow me a little space in your valuable paper to explain to the public the trouble which I had Saturday with Joseph Sassi, as I felt before I saw his letter in the paper that I was badly treated in the matter, I do more so now.

In the first place I am no fighting man and was never mixed up in any such trouble before.

We paid Sassi all he was to us, \$3.00 a day. He was dissatisfied and wanted more. I told him we could not give that to him. He got angry and called me all kinds of names, which you would not print. I told him to leave my office. He used more bad names to me. I told him I would not stand that, and put him out. I took him by the arm to push him out when he struck me. I did push him out and did not strike him at all. When he was out he took up a big stone and tried to strike me. I got the door closed. The stone struck and broke my door; if it had struck me it might have killed me. I then went to my telephone and called the police to protect me and our property. Then they came and arrested me for a breach of the peace and insisted on me to pay my fine, which I would not do. They would not let me go unless I pay my fine or get some good citizen to give bonds for \$50.00, even when I told them I had plenty of witnesses. They wanted the fine bad. But the bond kept me from running away and leaving my business. I could give lots of bonds from people I do business with, they know me to be no fighting man and do good business.

Then Sassi calls the grievance committee, and gets one little stone which he had finished figured. It was a very good pattern when it came from the quarry, and was held by them to prove that he was worth more money than we had paid him. But there is a large stone which he was working on, and was not finished which would have gone to prove, if it could have been taken into account, that we were paying him all he was worth. But we are not familiar enough with the rules governing the grievance committee's rulings to know that partly finished stones were ruled out, and Sassi refused to finish it. We have no trouble with our men and never had the committee before.

These, Mr. Editor, are the whole facts in the case, most of which I have already proven to the city officials concerned.

Stephen Rizzi.

EX-TELLER
ARRESTEDH. J. Hill of Defunct
Vergennes Bank

IS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Charged With Crooked Bookkeeping in
That He Recharged Checks of
Lieut.-Gov. Allen.

Rutland, June 22.—Howard J. Hill, former teller of the defunct Farmers' National bank of Vergennes was arrested at Bristol today by Deputy United States Marshal Frank Chapman on a charge of abstracting funds from the bank. He was brought to this city tonight and arraigned before United States Commissioner James A. Merrill. The proceedings were purely formal and the hearing was immediately continued until next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Hill's bail was fixed at \$20,000, which was furnished by his father.

The federal officers are very reticent about discussing the case. The charges against him are similar to those brought against Cashier D. H. Lewis and his clerk, J. W. Ketcham, both of whom are now serving sentences.

The indictment of Hill was made by the federal grand jury at its recent session in Windsor, where individual stockholders of the bank appeared before it to press claims that it is alleged had not been presented to the grand jury by the United States district attorney.

The charges against Hill include recharges of checks of former Lieut.-Gov. M. F. Allen of North Ferrisburgh and of Joseph Quinlan. The recharges alleged were made during 1899 and 1900. It is alleged that the numerous cash balances taken by Teller Hill between August, 1898, and January, 1901, not one was legitimately taken but every one forced.

CLASS DAY EXERCISES.

Large Attendance on University of Vermont Campus.

Burlington, June 22.—There was a large attendance at class day exercises of the University of Vermont this afternoon. The programme was as follows: president's address, Harold James Adams; class history, Clarence Worthen; boulder oration, Ira Phelps Kellogg; campus oration, Louis Fuller Martin; class poem, Charles Hugh Waddell; pipe oration, William Reynolds Farrington; class essay, Miss Corn E. Talbot; address to undergraduates, George David Brodie; vry oration, Leroy A. Shipman.

Inspecting Railroads.

St. Albans, June 22.—The board of railroad commissioners are busily engaged this week in inspecting various lines. Today the Brattleboro street railway was looked over. On Tuesday the Bellows Falls and Saxtons River and the Springfield Electric railways will be inspected, on Wednesday the Woodstock railroad, on Thursday the Montpelier & Wells River railroad, on Friday the Barre railroad and the Montpelier & Barre Traction company.

To Ordain Pastor.

Waitsfield, June 22.—A council has been called by the Waitsfield Congregational church to convene June 30, for the ordaining of the pastor, Rev. Jno. Russell Henderson. The public exercises will be held at 1:30 p. m. Rev. Dr. W. S. Hazen of Northfield will preach the sermon. Others who will take part are Rev. L. F. Reed of Montpelier, Rev. F. A. Poole of Barre, Rev. F. B. Kellogg of Waterbury, Rev. E. L. Walz of Plainfield, and Rev. Mr. Biswell.

Shot a Black Bear.

Northfield, June 22.—James J. Brooks, of West Hill, shot a black bear Saturday weighing 150 pounds. It was caught in a trap of Brooks'. The Brooks family holds the record in this part of the state for bears caught and shot, this being the first one killed in 1903.

A Fire in West Dummerston.

Brattleboro, June 22.—A house in West Dummerston, owned by the Chester Harris estate and occupied by Mrs. Harris, was burned yesterday with its contents. The fire was caused by a defective chimney. The loss is \$1,000, and the insurance \$700.

Pins.

The average American uses 128 pins a year.

Squeaking Boots.

To stop the squeaking of new boots take a small oil can and put a few drops of oil round the boots between the upper leather and the soles. This will stop the distressing noise new boots often make.

Kilkenny Castle.

Kilkenny castle is one of the oldest inhabited houses in the world, many of the rooms being much as they were 800 years ago.

Births and Deaths.

The death rate of the globe is estimated at 98 a minute, 77,929 a day, or 35,740,800 a year. The birth rate is 70 a minute, 100,900 a day, or 36,722,000 a year, reckoning the year to be 365 days in length.

GODDARD
CLASS DAYOration By Earl L.
Waterman.

"INCENTIVES TO ACTION"

Class History By Miss Maude Lydia
Gray—Commencement
Concert.

The 34th annual commencement of Goddard Seminary began in earnest yesterday when the annual class day exercises were held. The day was an ideal one with a cool breeze and lots of sunshine and "Old Goddard" was a lively scene, students or former graduates hurrying here and there to grasp the hands of parents or old class mates, teachers welcoming their beloved scholars of former years back again to Goddard's halls, all making a most pleasant and joyous spectacle. There is already a large gathering of alumni and it is expected that many more will be present from the near by towns on the last two days of the exercises.

The class day exercises were held in the chapel at 2 o'clock. The chapel was crowded and the exercises were very interesting and successfully conducted. The



Photo by Dan.
MAUD LYDIA GRAY, Class Historian.

stage was very prettily decorated with ferns, evergreen and red roses, the class flower. On the wall back of the stage was hung the class blue and gray flag and the class motto, "The Future Crowns the Past," in white letters on a shield.

The juniors, a large class of nineteen members, marched in first and were seated in the front row of seats followed by the seniors. On the stage was the class orator, Earl L. Waterman, and the class president, Leroy Buchanan, who announced the programme. Bertha A. Tierney opened the exercises with a piano solo, "Valse Caprice," by Rubinstein, which she rendered in excellent style. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. M. J. Jones.

"Incentives to Action," was the interesting subject of the oration by the class orator, Earl L. Waterman, which was especially well written and delivered in an intelligent manner.

Mr. Waterman said in part: "The incentive seems to take away the disagreeable features of toil, and makes work to the man, what play is to the child—a source of joy." "Incentives abound," he said. "From the many let us consider three of the most worthy, patriotism, philanthropy and the thirst for truth. Incentives are most potent when something cherished is in peril. Times of danger furnish great incentives. At such times the incentive comes, and the man quick to see his opportunity and to improve it renders grateful service to his fellows, becomes famous and leaves on the pages of history a record which shall furnish incentives to future generations." "There seems little need," he said in closing, "to speak of incentives to the student in school. His environment is stimulating. He through his books lives in an atmosphere of good thoughts and ennobling examples."

Anxious parents, patient teachers, and applauding mates are his powerful incentives. "It is natural that he respond to his utmost to their expectations." "But when we shall have gone forth from the fostering care of school and home, when the cares of mature years shall make their claims upon us; let us seek through constant companionship of books and nature, to keep fresh in our hearts these incentives which, in all ages, have adorned the banners of the vanguard of civilization, the incentives born of patriotism, of philanthropy and of the thirst for truth."

Kate M. Holt of South Woodstock, addressed the juniors and gave them lots of weighty advice and admonition. His address was well written and was full of witty and pleasing thoughts. In closing he said, "When in the rank of seniorship you must be dignified but do not be so puffed up with your senior dignity that you will not consider the little things of everyday life beneath you. Those little things which help to make or mar the school, consider them and weigh them well."

Mark A. Davis of Marshfield next rendered a vocal solo, selected, in his usual rich and pleasing voice.

The poem written and recited by Mabel Hobbs of South Barre was very good, containing many beautiful thoughts and she recited it in a very pleasing way.

The class history by Maude L. Gray of Plainfield was a well written story of the many experiences of the class since it organized and contained many sharp hits at many of the members of the class.

G. Richard Grant of Randolph pleased the audience with a pianoforte solo—Mazurka, Leschetitzky.

The address to the seniors by Bessie D. Buell of South Stratford was a nicely written summary of the work of the class since it entered the school in 1900 and urged them not to forget the many opportunities made possible for them by the careful training of the school and to try and make the most of them.

Always one of the most pleasing parts of class day is the will, which was read by G. Richard Grant. Any student who had transgressed or stepped out of the straight and narrow path was willed something which was sure to remind him of it.

The programme was again varied by two pianofortes, Slavnic Donec No. 3, Dvorak, by Bessie Speare and Blanche Kidder, which was heartily applauded by the audience.

Then followed the class presentation, which was ably done by Blanche Kibling of West Lebanon, N. H., and Arthur Brown of North Williston and every member of the class received some token which made his or her cheeks red, showing that it had hit the mark.

The exercises closed with the singing of the class song, which was very pretty, the music being written by Blanche Kidder.

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